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FIXATION OF TRANSPORTATION CHARGES OF GAS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the norms/criteria laid down for fixing transportation charges for transporting gas in different areas;

(b) whether some State Governments, particularly Gujarat have demanded changes in the existing policy and requested for some benefits because of lower cost for transporting gas over shorter distance vis-Ã -vis hinterland States;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a): Transmission tariff of a network or spur line to a customer is computed on the basis of investment made therein. However, in case of trunk lines, viz., Hazira-Vijaipur- Jagdishpur (HVJ) pipeline and Dahej-Vijaipur pipeline (DVPL), a combined single tariff of Rs.831/MSCM, with escalation formula, is being followed w.e.f. 1-6-2006. However, based on the request of Gujarat State Petroleum Corporation Limited (GSPCL) and to benefit the customers in Gujarat, the tariff for connectivity of Gujarat State Petronet Limited (GSPL) to DVPL has been kept at Rs. 280/MSCM.

(b) to (d): There has been a demand that lesser transportation cost should be charged from those customers, who are at shorter distance from the sources of gas. Customers in Gujarat have to pay much lower tariff for connectivity to DVPL.